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Tropical Storm Cindy
Situation Report #1
Operational Period 0700 – 1430 Hours
July 7, 2005

Situation:

 The remnants from Tropical Storm Cindy began moving into the Commonwealth during the morning hours of July 7, 2005. As of 1430 hours, the VEOC has not received any reports of flooding or requests for assistance from localities. The VEOC has conducted conference calls with all State Agencies and localities to alert them of potential impacts.

Weather:

- The Center of Tropical Storm Cindy will be near the Blue Ridge during the afternoon and evening hours. Rainfall amounts could total up to 8 inches in some localities along the eastern slope of the Alleghany and Blue Ridge Mountains. Average rainfall amounts across the remainder of the state are expected to range from 2 5 inches. Flood Watches have been posted for Southwest and Central Virginia, beginning at 2000 hours July 7, 2005 until Friday morning, July 8, 2005. Flash Flood Watches have been issued for Central and Northern Virginia from 2000 hours July 7, 2005 to Friday afternoon. Some areas could see isolated slide activity, depending on rainfall totals. The system should move out of the Commonwealth by mid-day Friday.
- A Tornado Watch is in effect until 1600 hours for the following localities:

Appomattox Bedford Buckingham Campbell Charlotte Franklin Halifax Henry Patrick

Pittsylvania

A Tornado Watch is effect until 2200 hours for the following localities:

Amelia Brunswick **Charles City** Chesterfield Chesapeake Colonial Heights Cumberland Dinwiddie **Emporia** Franklin City Hampton Greensville Hopewell Isle of Wight Lunenburg Mecklenburg **Newport News** Norfolk **Nottoway** Petersburg **Portsmouth** Prince Edward Powhatan Prince George Suffolk Southampton Surry Sussex Virginia Beach

CURRENT PRIORITIES:

- Protection and preservation of life and property
- Respond to localities request for assistance
- Prepare for potential flooding, mud slides, tornadoes

ONGOING STATE and LOCAL ACTIVITIES:

- Charlottesville EOC will open at 1800 hours today, July 7, 2005
- State agencies continue monitoring the situation
- VDOT alerting localities to stand-by
- Dept. of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) has directed the owner of a dam in Botetourt County to lower the water. Process completed today.
- Virginia Department of Health (VDH) is alerting hospitals and public water treatment facilities to ensure back-up power is operational.
- Virginia National Guard (VNG) notifying regions of potential impact and coordinating flight operations.
- Dominion Virginia Power is reviewing emergency response plans for North Ann facility and monitoring hydroelectric dams.
- Swift Water Rescue Teams in the Roanoke and Charlottesville areas have been alerted and are available, if needed.
- Virginia Emergency Operations Center is augmented with limited staffing.
- Contacted FEMA Region 3 Regional Coordination Center regarding preparations for potential response activities

PROJECTED FUTURE ACTIONS:

- Conduct conference calls with State Agencies, NWS, and localities
- Coordinate potential response of State Preliminary Damage Assessment Teams
- Prepare to expand VEOC staffing to support overall disaster response actions

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